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THE FLAG*

But did that make it absolutely
certain that M.
Zermatt and Mr. Wolston, and their
wives and
children, had not left the island ?
Did not the
flag always float at that spot ?

They would not argue the point.
Everything
would be explained at Rock Castle, and
before an
hour had passed.

" Let us go ! Let us go ! " said
Frank again,
and he turned towards the staircase.

" Stop ! Stop ! " the boatswain
suddenly said,
lowering his voice.

They watched him crawl along the
balcony,
to the side overlooking Deliverance
Bay. Then
he moved the leaves aside, put his
head through
them and drew it back precipitately.

" What is the matter ? " Fritz
asked.

" Savages! " John Block .replied.